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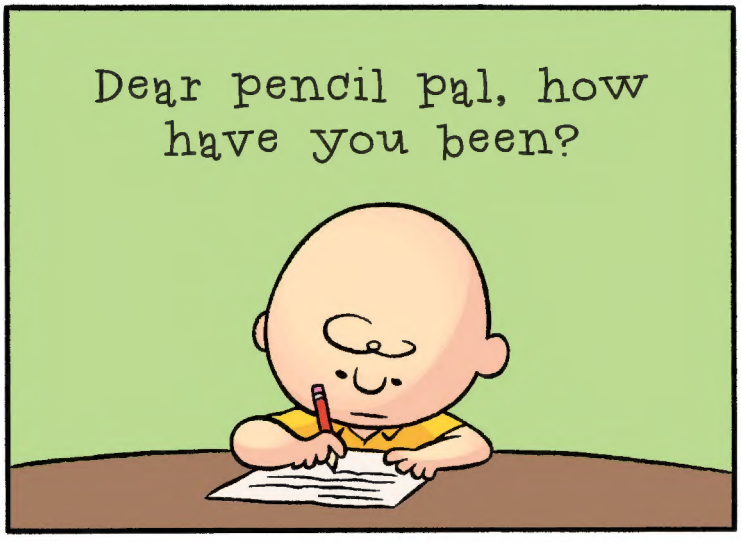
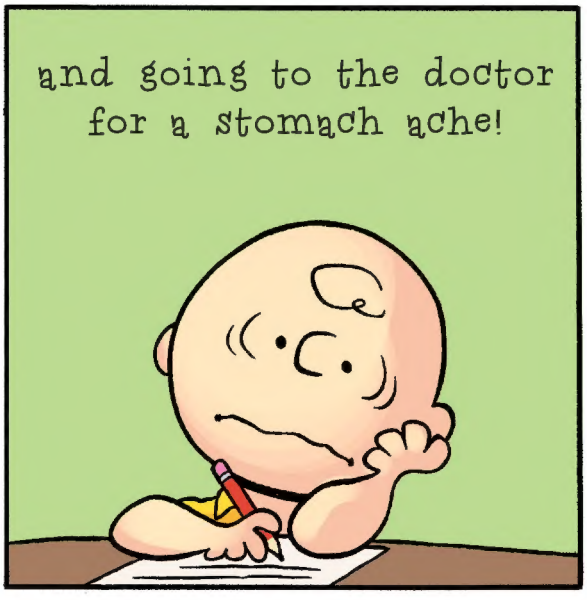
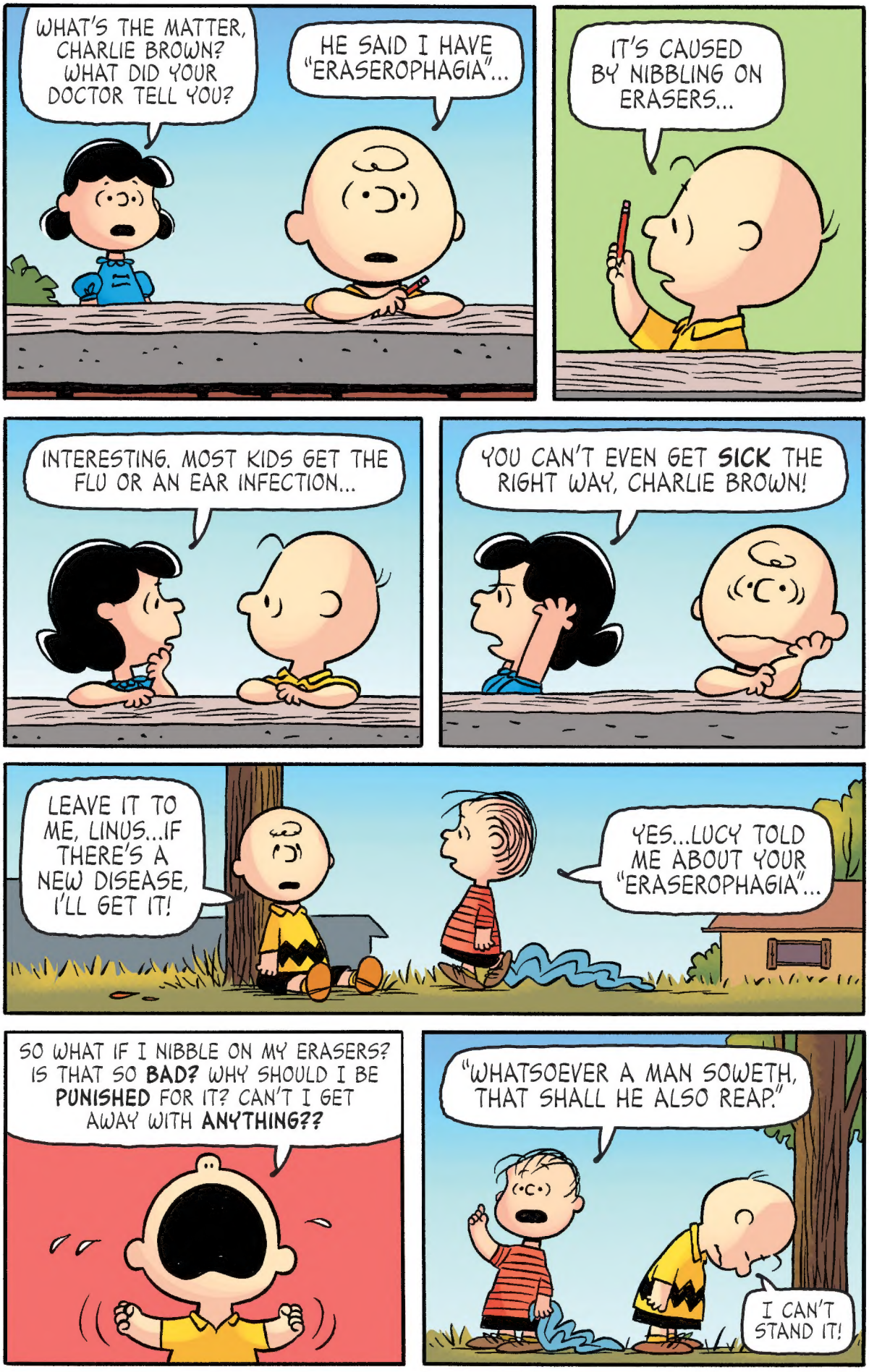
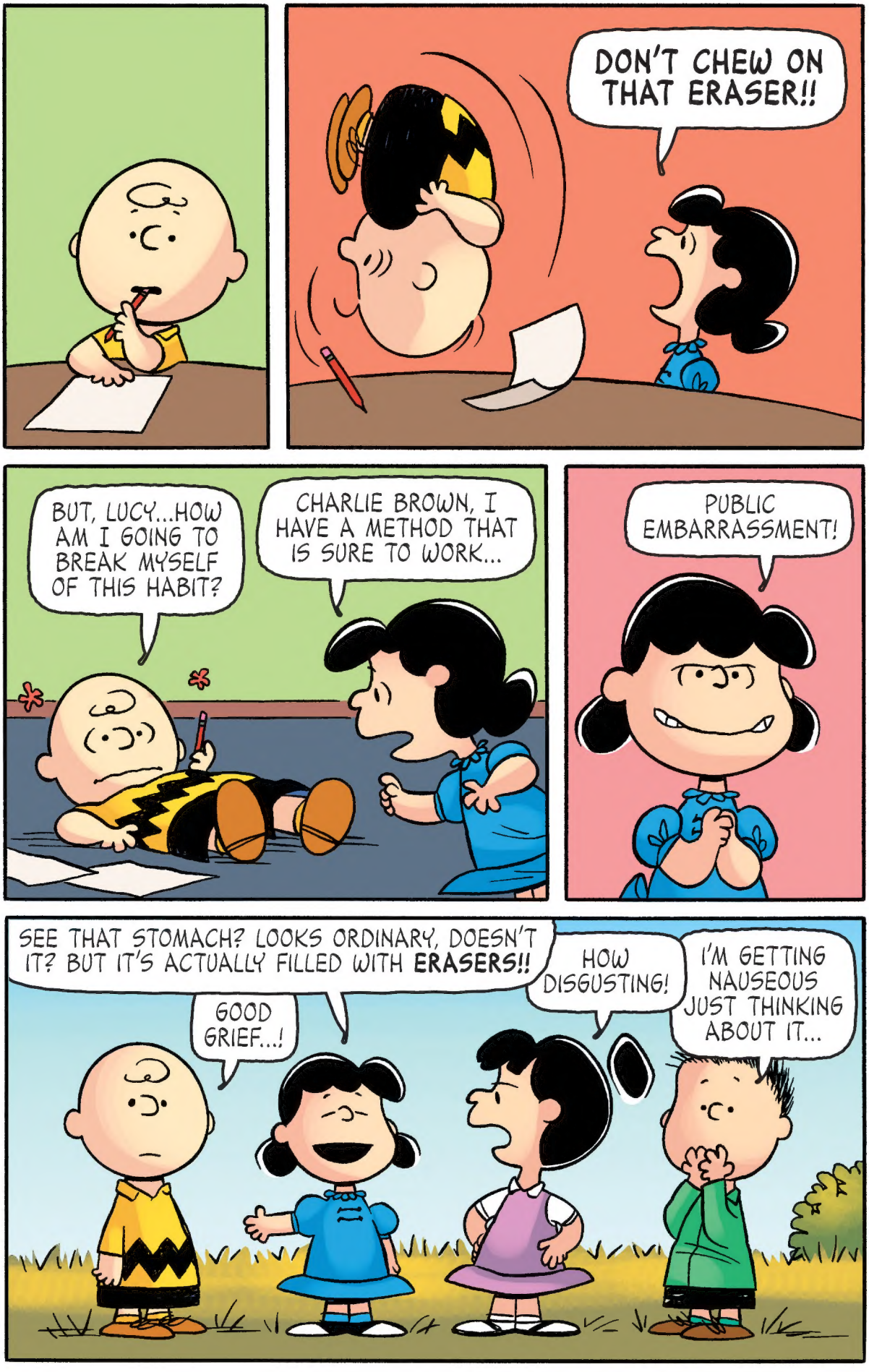





WHAT'S THE MATTER, CHARLIE BROWN? WHAT DID YOUR DOCTOR TELL YOU?
HE SAID I HAVE "ERASEROPHAGIA"...
IT'S CAUSED BY NIBBLING ON ERASERS...
INTERESTING. MOST KIDS GET THE FLU OR AN EAR INFECTION...
YOU CAN'T EVEN GET **SICK** THE RIGHT WAY, CHARLIE BROWN!
LEAVE IT TO ME, LINUS...IF THERE'S A NEW DISEASE, I'LL GET IT!
YES...LUCY TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR "ERASEROPHAGIA"...
SO WHAT IF I NIBBLE ON MY ERASERS? IS THAT SO **BAD?** WHY SHOULD I BE **PUNISHED** FOR IT? CAN'T I GET AWAY WITH **ANYTHING??**
"WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP."
I CAN'T STAND IT!


DON'T CHEW ON THAT ERASER!!
BUT, LUCY...HOW AM I GOING TO BREAK MYSELF OF THIS HABIT?
CHARLIE BROWN, I HAVE A METHOD THAT IS SURE TO WORK...
PUBLIC EMBARRASSMENT!
SEE THAT STOMACH? LOOKS ORDINARY, DOESN'T IT? BUT IT'S ACTUALLY FILLED WITH **ERASERS!!**
GOOD GRIEF...!
HOW DISGUSTING!
I'M GETTING NAUSEOUS JUST THINKING ABOUT IT...

YOUR "ERASEROPHAGIA" IS ACTUALLY QUITE **FITTING,** CHARLIE BROWN! "YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT" AS THEY SAY...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOUR STOMACH IS FILLED WITH ERASERS, WHICH ARE USED TO CORRECT ERRORS...WHILE YOU ARE THE LIVING EMBODIMENT OF THE WORD **"MISTAKE"!** HOW IRONIC!
PEOPLE WHO ARE STRICKEN WITH ILLNESS CAN EITHER LET THEIR SICKNESS DEFINE THEM...OR FIND A WAY TO EMBRACE IT...USE IT FOR SOMETHING POSITIVE! THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO, LUCY!
HUH??
I COULD GO ON A SPEAKING TOUR...MEET OTHERS SUFFERING FROM "ERASEROPHAGIA"... GIVE THEM HOPE! MAYBE ONE DAY I'LL EVEN BE THE NATIONAL SPOKESPERSON FOR THIS HORRIBLE DISEASE!!
FIGHT ERASEROPHAGIA
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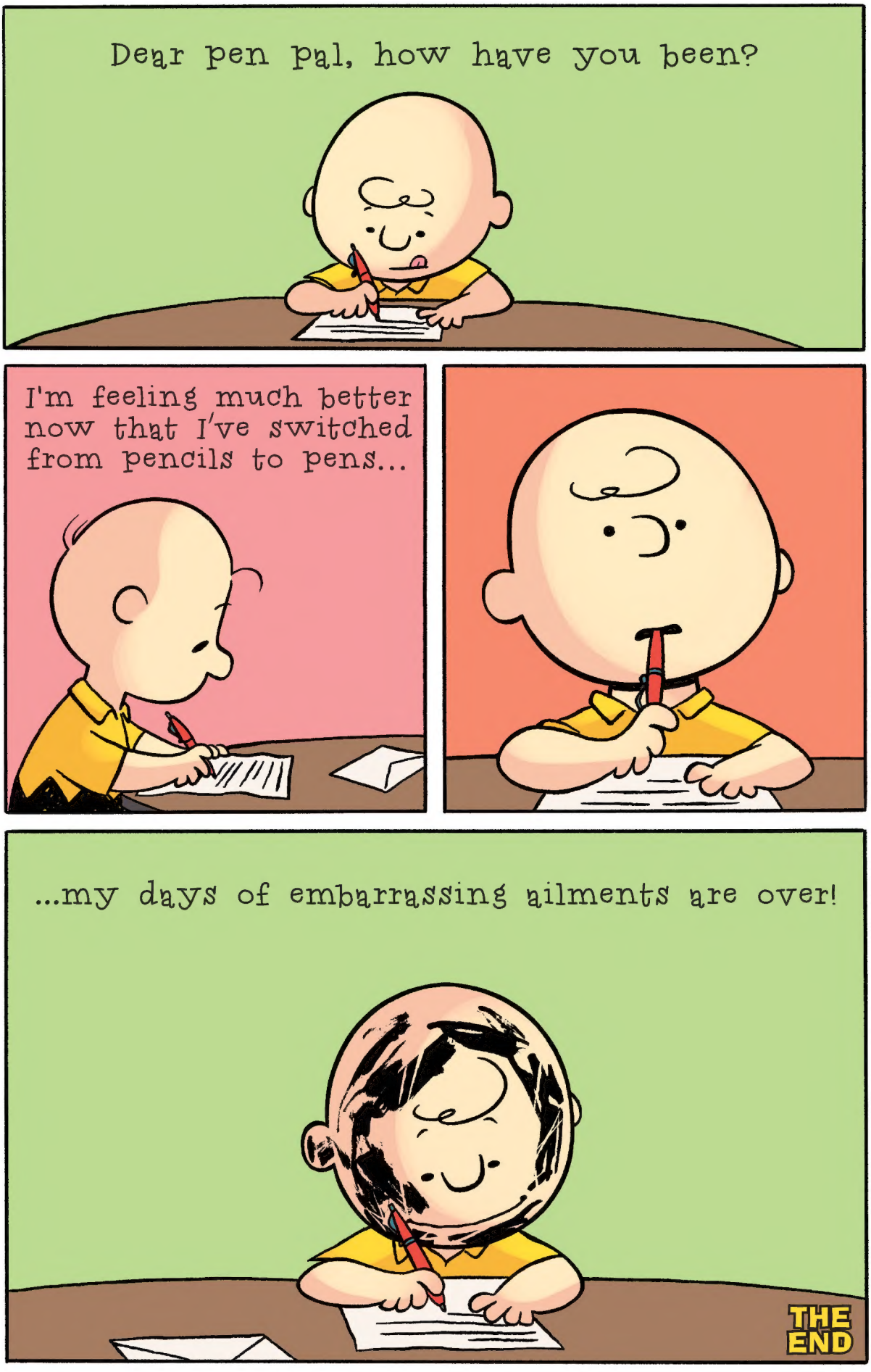
OR YOU COULD STOP USING **PENCILS...** AND START USING **PENS!**


Dear pen pal, how have you been?
I'm feeling much better now that I've switched from pencils to pens...
...my days of embarrassing ailments are over!
THE END

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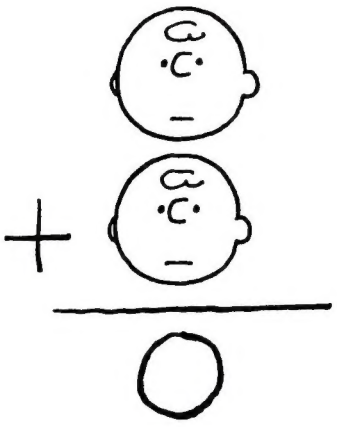
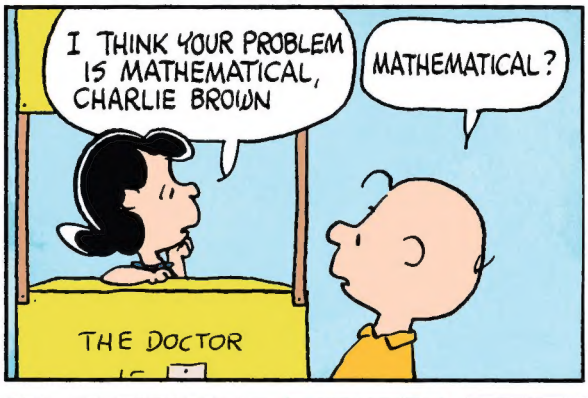
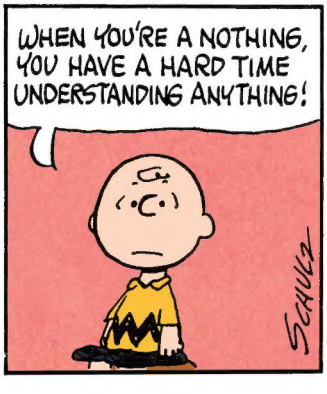
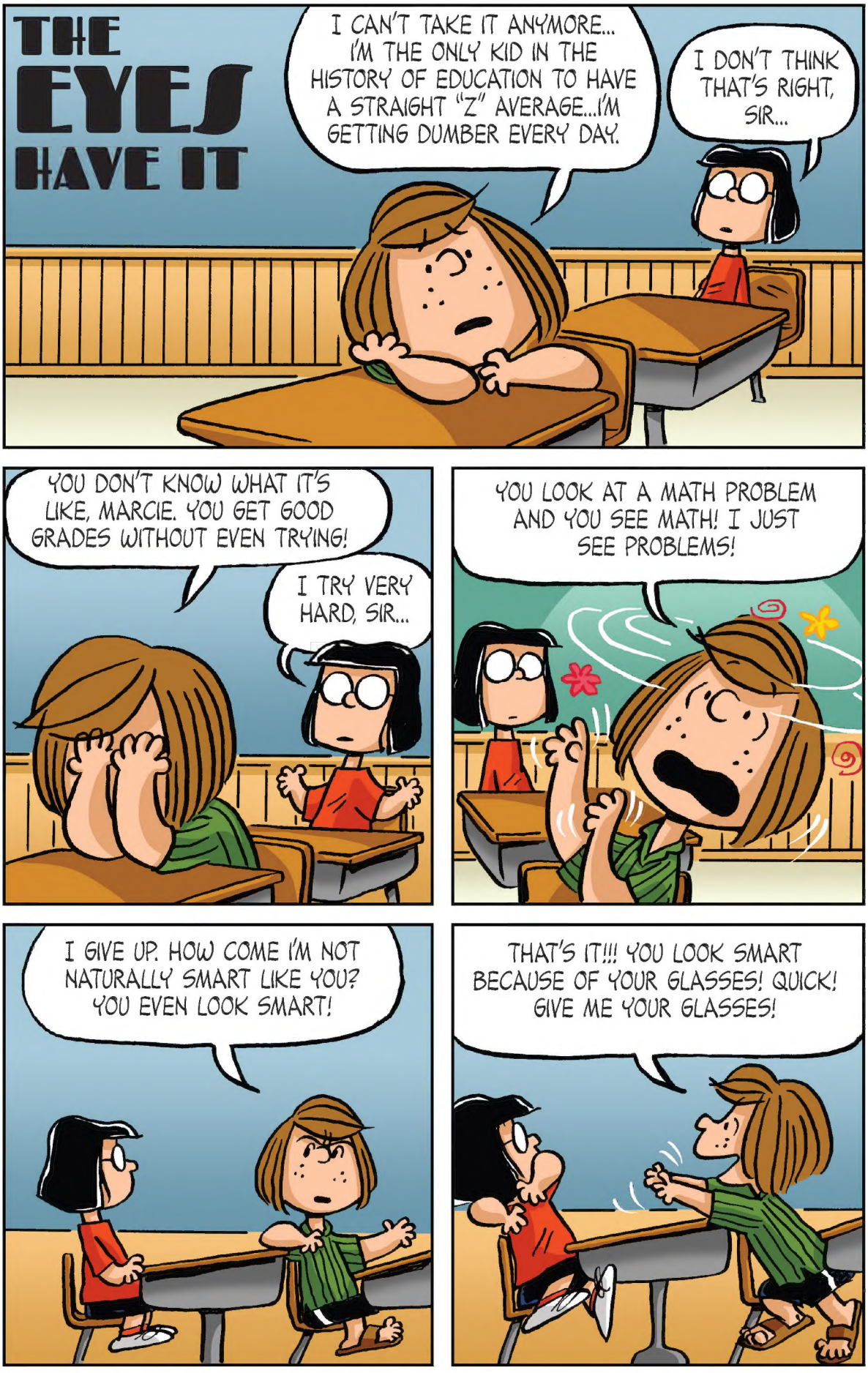


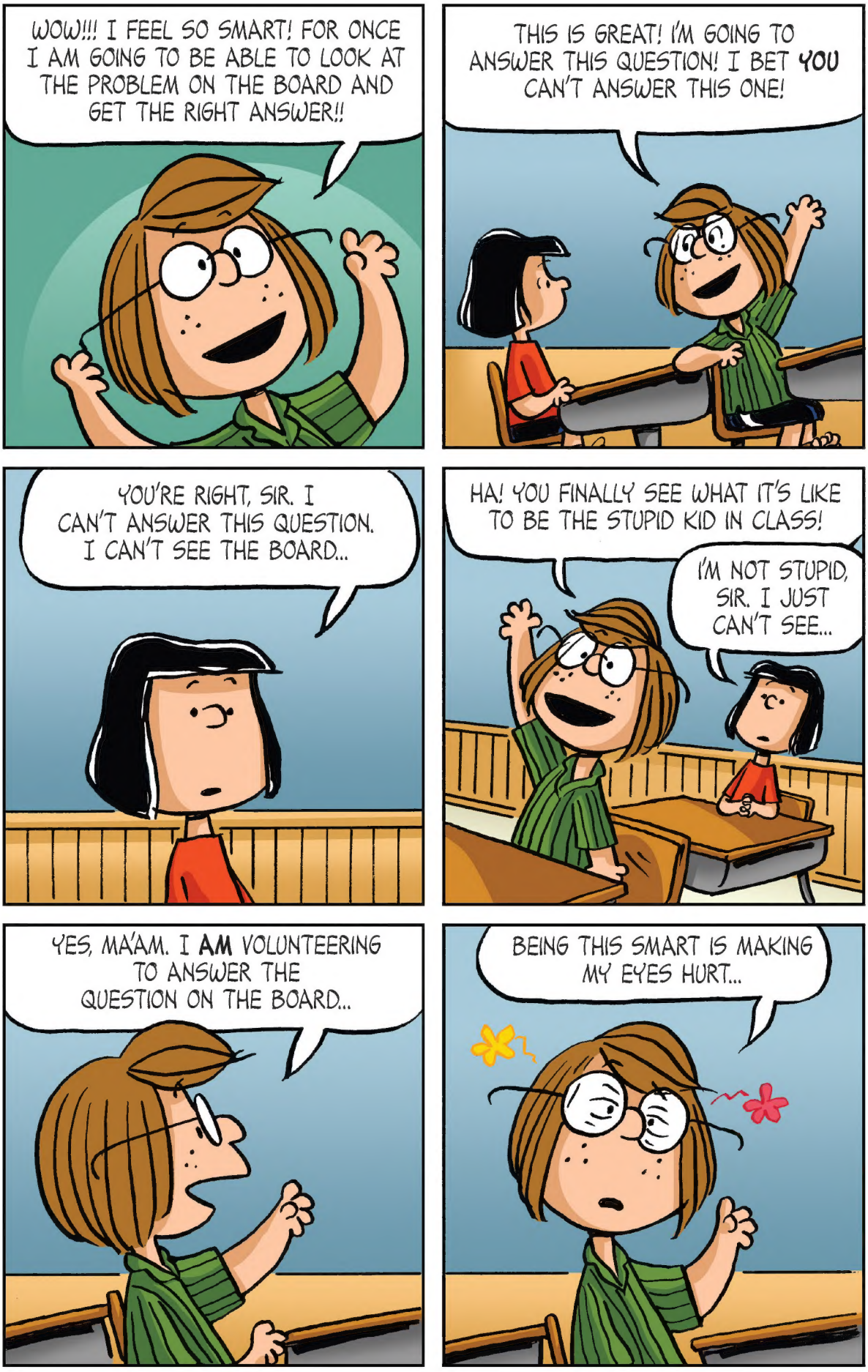
PSYCHIATRIC HELP 5¢
THE DOCTOR IS IN
I ALWAYS WANTED TO GO UP TO THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED GIRL AND TALK TO HER, BUT I JUST COULDN'T..

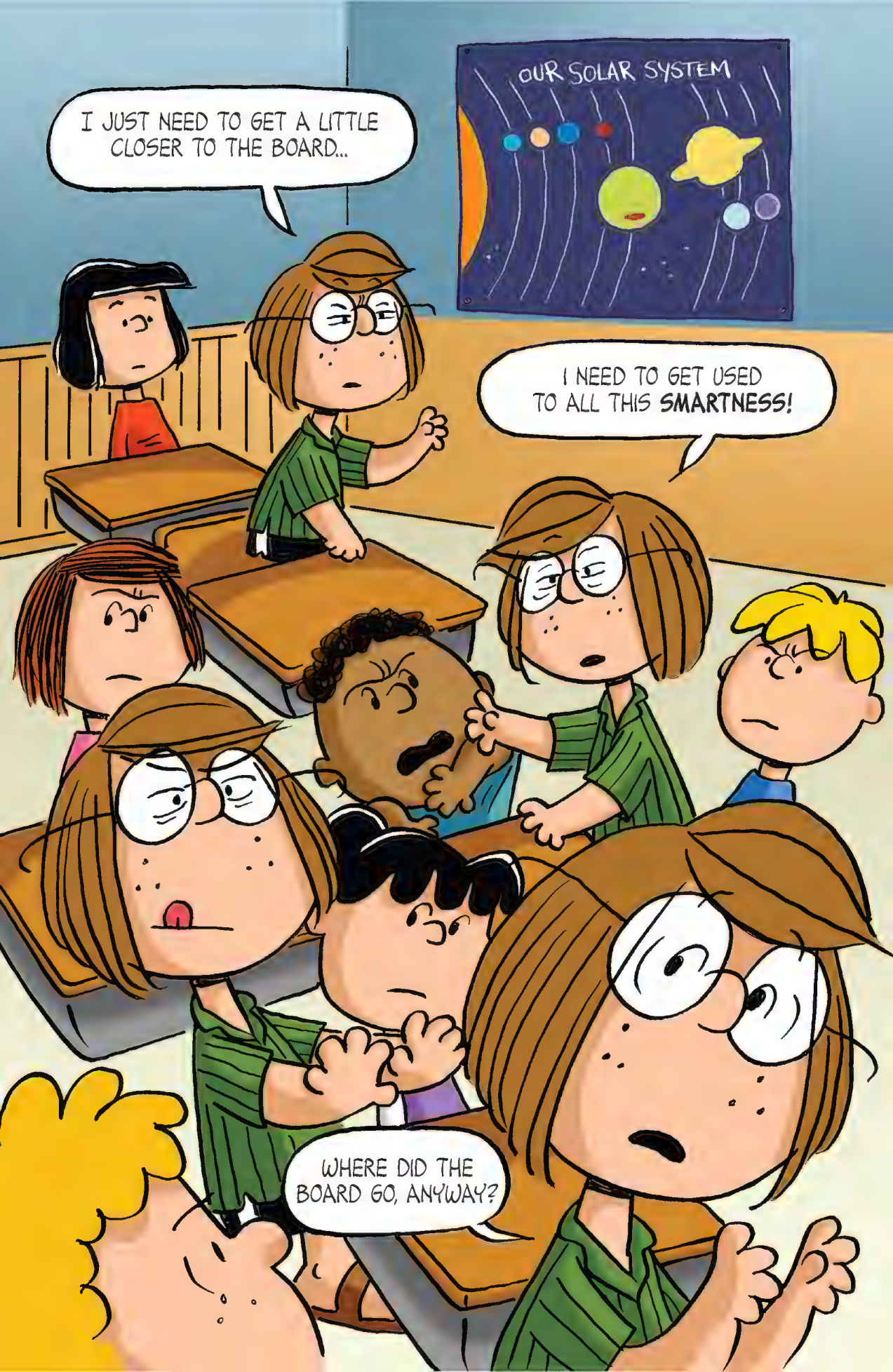
IF SHE HAD WANTED TO TALK TO ME, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASY BECAUSE SOMEONE WHO IS REALLY SOMETHING CAN JUST GO RIGHT UP TO SOMEONE WHO IS NOTHING, AND JUST TALK!



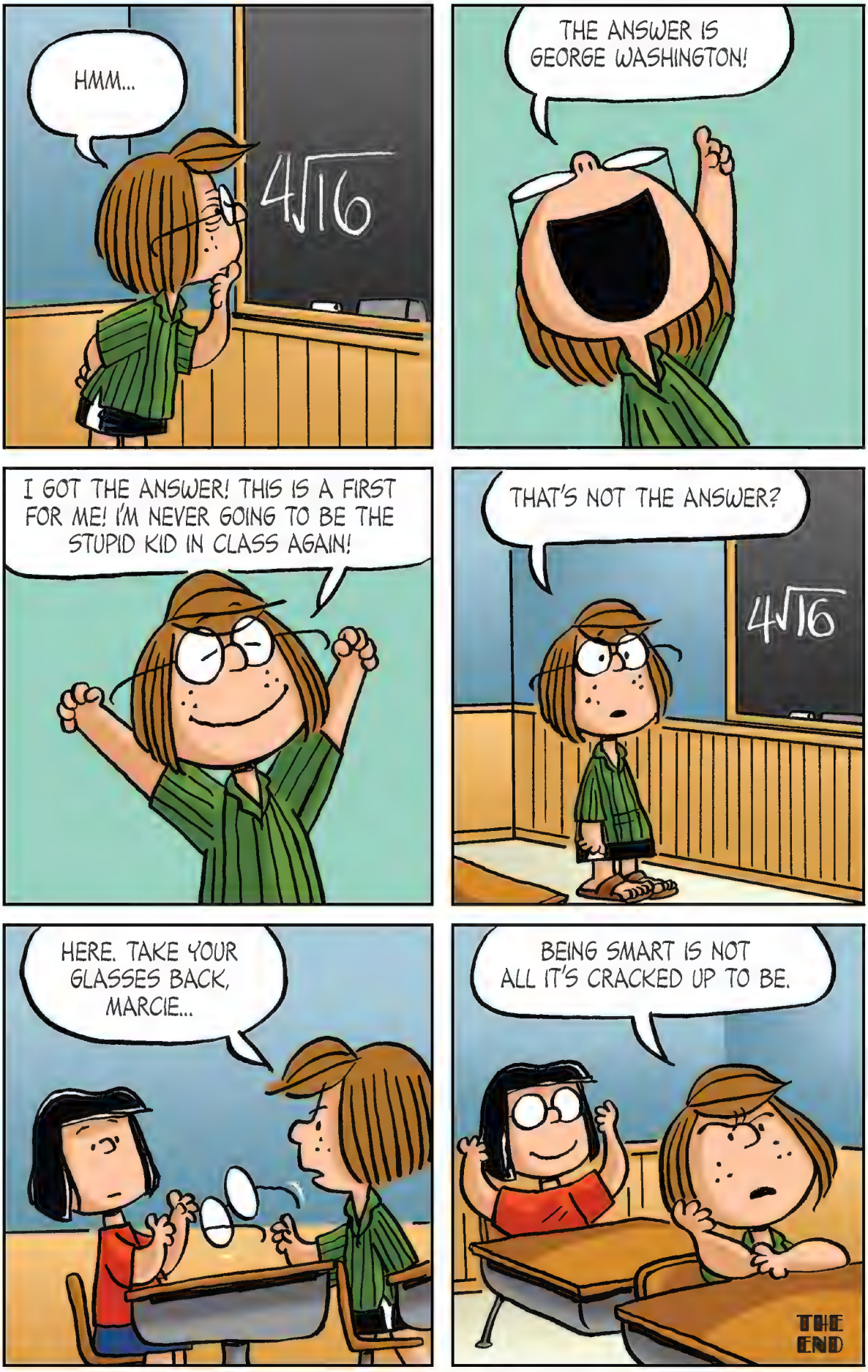



THE EYES HAVE IT
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE... I'M THE ONLY KID IN THE HISTORY OF EDUCATION TO HAVE A STRAIGHT "Z" AVERAGE...I'M GETTING DUMBER EVERY DAY.
I DON'T THINK THAT'S RIGHT, SIR...
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE, MARCIE. YOU GET GOOD GRADES WITHOUT EVEN TRYING!
I TRY VERY HARD, SIR...
YOU LOOK AT A MATH PROBLEM AND YOU SEE MATH! I JUST SEE PROBLEMS!
I GIVE UP. HOW COME I'M NOT NATURALLY SMART LIKE YOU? YOU EVEN LOOK SMART!
THAT'S IT!!! YOU LOOK SMART BECAUSE OF YOUR GLASSES! QUICK! GIVE ME YOUR GLASSES!


WOW!!! I FEEL SO SMART! FOR ONCE I AM GOING TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THE PROBLEM ON THE BOARD AND GET THE RIGHT ANSWER!!
THIS IS GREAT! I'M GOING TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION! I BET **YOU** CAN'T ANSWER THIS ONE!
YOU'RE RIGHT, SIR. I CAN'T ANSWER THIS QUESTION. I CAN'T SEE THE BOARD...
HA! YOU FINALLY SEE WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE THE STUPID KID IN CLASS!
I'M NOT STUPID, SIR. I JUST CAN'T SEE...
YES, MA'AM. I **AM** VOLUNTEERING TO ANSWER THE QUESTION ON THE BOARD...
BEING THIS SMART IS MAKING MY EYES HURT...


I JUST NEED TO GET A LITTLE CLOSER TO THE BOARD...
OUR SOLAR SYSTEM
I NEED TO GET USED TO ALL THIS SMARTNESS!
WHERE DID THE BOARD GO, ANYWAY?

EVERYTHING LOOKS SO DIFFERENT FOR SMART PEOPLE! KINDA FUZZY!
I FOUND THE BOARD! IT'S BEEN HERE ALL ALONG!
WATCH IT!


HMM...
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THE ANSWER IS GEORGE WASHINGTON!
I GOT THE ANSWER! THIS IS A FIRST FOR ME! I'M NEVER GOING TO BE THE STUPID KID IN CLASS AGAIN!
THAT'S NOT THE ANSWER?
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HERE. TAKE YOUR GLASSES BACK, MARCIE...
BEING SMART IS NOT ALL IT'S CRACKED UP TO BE.
THE END

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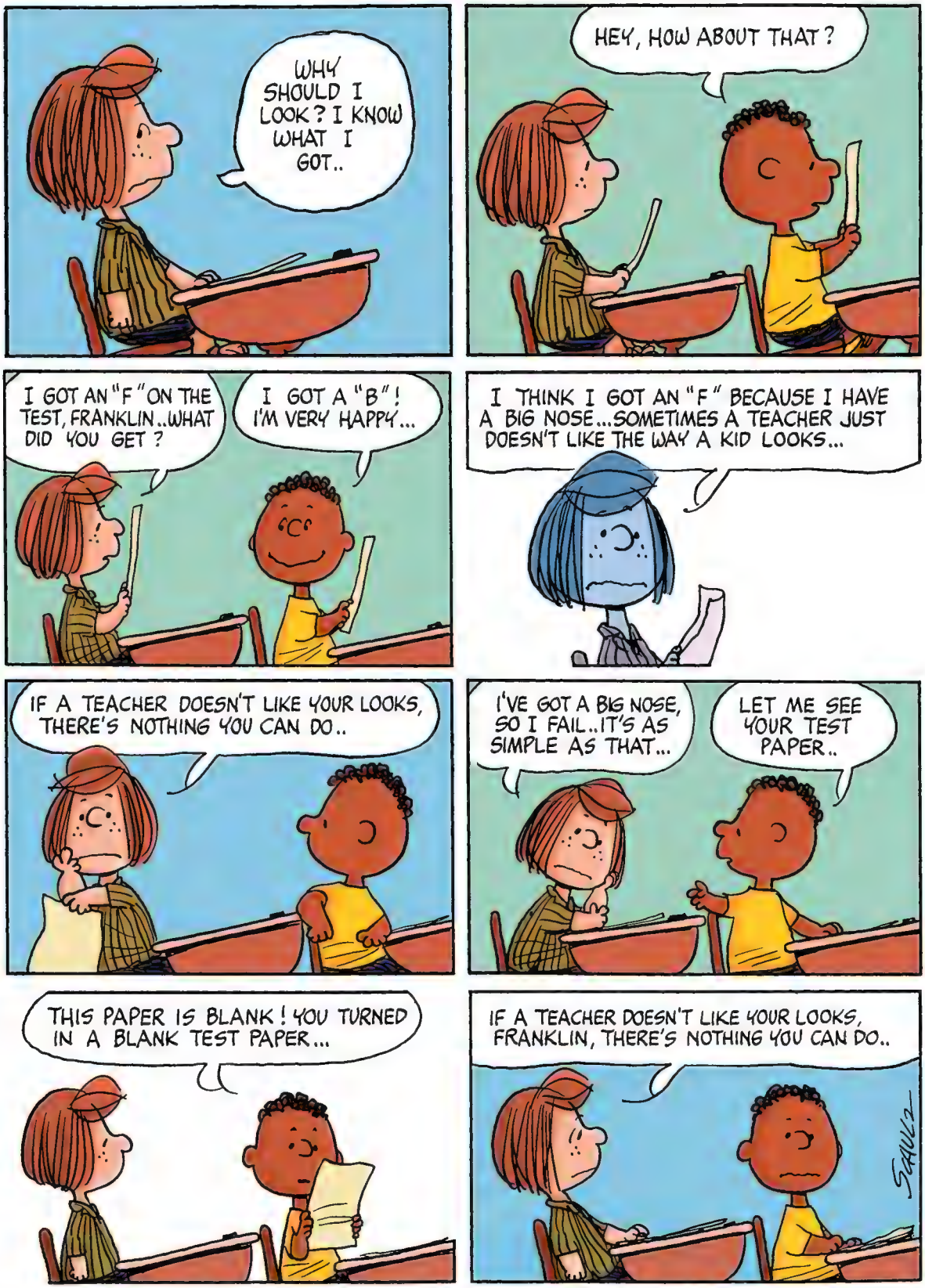

WHY SHOULD I LOOK? I KNOW WHAT I GOT..
HEY, HOW ABOUT THAT?
I GOT AN "F" ON THE TEST, FRANKLIN..WHAT DID YOU GET?
I GOT A "B"! I'M VERY HAPPY...
I THINK I GOT AN "F" BECAUSE I HAVE A BIG NOSE...SOMETIMES A TEACHER JUST DOESN'T LIKE THE WAY A KID LOOKS...
IF A TEACHER DOESN'T LIKE YOUR LOOKS, THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO..
I'VE GOT A BIG NOSE, SO I FAIL..IT'S AS SIMPLE AS THAT...
LET ME SEE YOUR TEST PAPER..
THIS PAPER IS BLANK! YOU TURNED IN A BLANK TEST PAPER...
IF A TEACHER DOESN'T LIKE YOUR LOOKS, FRANKLIN, THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO..
SCHULZ

Toodle-oo, Caribou!
A Tale of the Frozen North
EXCITED FOR OUR ANNUAL WINTER HIKING TRIP, WOODSTOCK?

WE COULD STILL RUN INTO SOME BAD WEATHER THIS TIME OF YEAR...
I THINK YOU SHOULD BE WELL PREPARED LIKE I AM...
TAKE ALONG EXTRA SOCKS, FOOD, DRINK, KNIFE, FORK, SPOON... ANYTHING YOU CAN THINK OF...
THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR NOT BEING PROPERLY PREPARED...
UH HUH...WELL, MAYBE YOU COULD LEAVE OUT THE SOCKS...

LOOK, MEN, IT'S BEGINNING TO SNOW!
WHEN YOU'RE ON A HIKE LIKE THIS AND IT STARTS TO SNOW, IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP MOVING...
!!!, !!!?
WHY?
I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE OBVIOUS!
!?@@@X!!

MAYBE THIS IS A GOOD THING...
THIS WILL GIVE US A CHANCE TO SEE IF YOU'VE LEARNED WHAT I'VE TAUGHT YOU...
WHAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU DO WHEN IT BEGINS TO SNOW?
REMEMBER YOUR BEAGLE SCOUT TRAINING!

THE WEATHER MAY GET WORSE, MEN...
IS ANYONE WORRIED? DO YOU ALL KNOW HOW TO ACT IN A BLIZZARD? DOES ANYONE HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT ANYTHING?
NO, OLIVIER, I DON'T THINK THERE'S A PLACE AROUND HERE WHERE YOU CAN MAIL YOUR POST CARDS...
!?

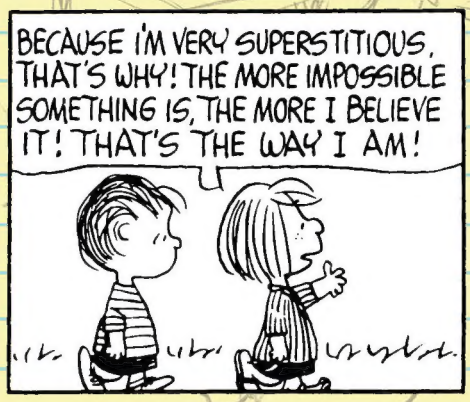
YES, BILL, I'VE MET SCARLETT JOHANSSON... SHE'S VERY NICE....
?
NO, CONRAD, I HAVEN'T TASTED HARRIET'S ANGEL FOOD CAKE WITH SEVEN-MINUTE FROSTING.
?
ANY MORE QUESTIONS?
NO, WOODSTOCK, I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'RE STANDING HERE IN A BLIZZARD WITH THESE THREE IDIOTS...
?
I DIDN'T THINK I WAS EVER GOING TO GET A SENSIBLE QUESTION!

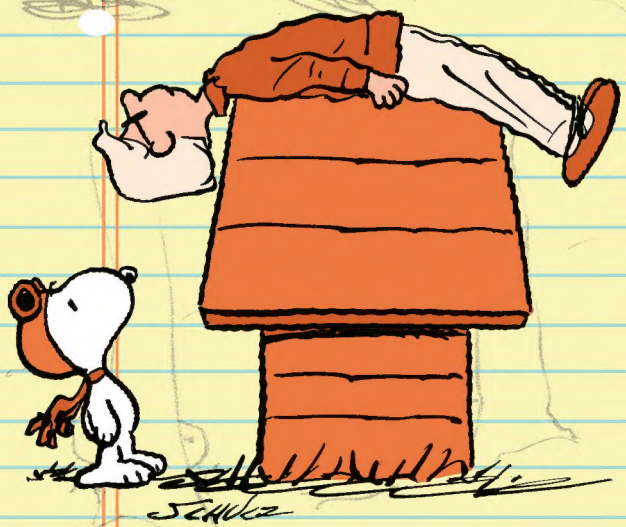
THIS BLIZZARD IS GETTING WORSE, MEN...
ANYONE HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS?
OKAY, WE'LL FOLLOW WOODSTOCK... HE SAYS HE CAN LEAD US TO THE PERFECT SPOT TO SPEND THE NIGHT...

?
WOODSTOCK IS A BORN LEADER!
The End

FROM THE DRAWING BOARD

"Peppermint Patty, the tomboy, is forthright, doggedly loyal, with a devastating singleness of purpose, the part of us that goes through life with blinders on. This can be wonderful at times but also disastrous."





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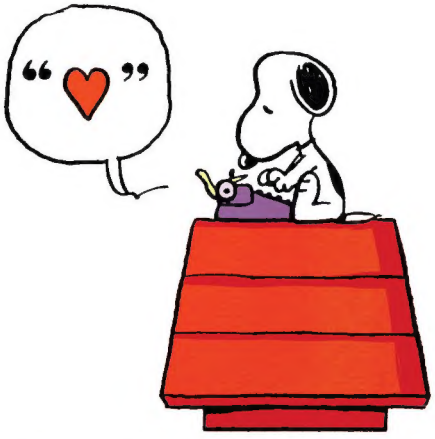

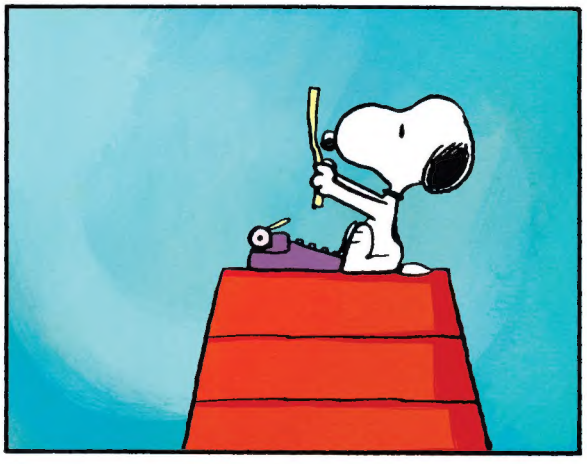

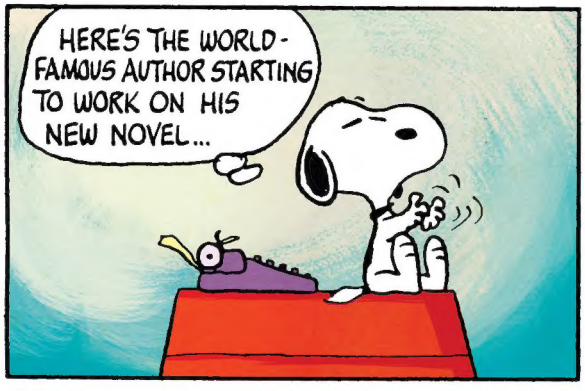

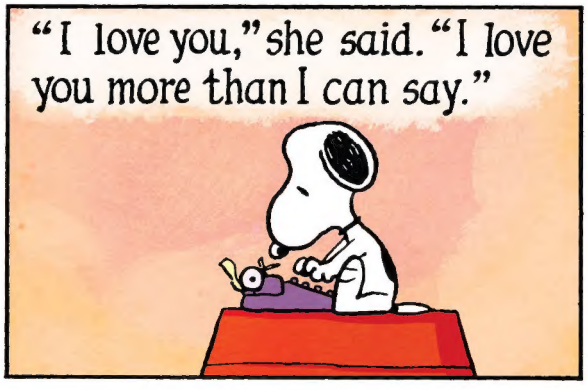

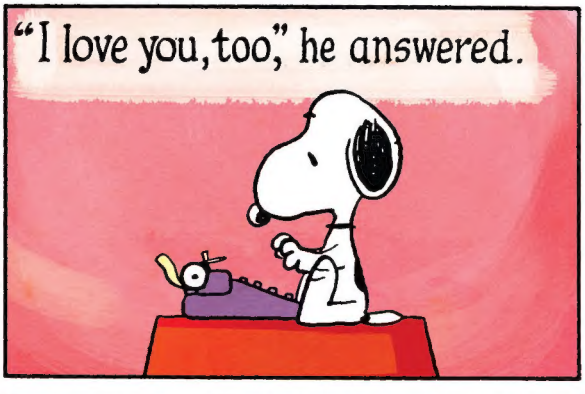

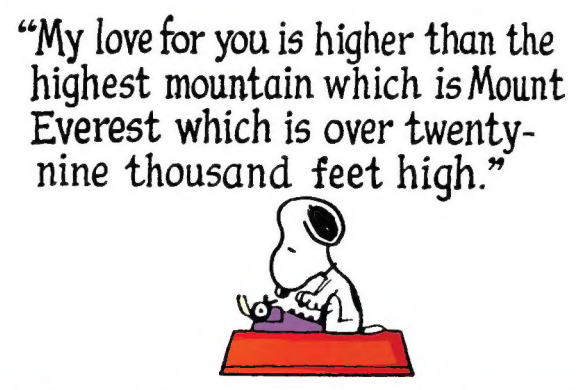

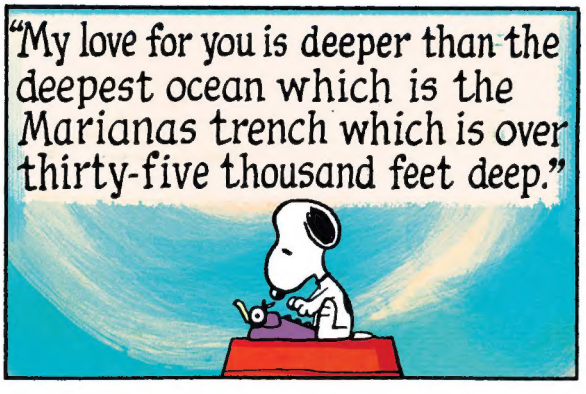
"My love for you is deeper than the deepest ocean which is the Marianas trench which is over thirty-five thousand feet deep."